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# **Volunteers** in Action

**ADULT INSTITUTIONS** 





Ministry of Correctional Services

#### DO YOU

Want to share an interest . . .

give something of yourself to another . . .

Wish to do something worthwhile . . .

Want an opportunity for personal growth . . .

Wish to give a direct personal service . . .

Want a challenge which is interesting . . .

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provides new social contacts . . .

Wish to expand your knowledge . . . ? ? ?

#### THEN

We believe that you can find rewarding involvement as a Volunteer in corrections



# HOW

You can become involved in the programs of one of our adult institutions where people over 16 years of age, sentenced to terms of less than two years, serve their sentences.

## WHY

We feel it is important for those in our care to have contact with persons like yourself who have accepted the normal values of society. We realize that you and others like you in the community have skills and qualities to offer which, harnessed, will greatly enrich our programs and will compliment the work of our staff. A partnership between our staff and the volunteer community must increase the possibility of our providing the kind of program which will lead to a better chance of those inside, when they reach the 'street,' leading useful, productive, acceptable lives.

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#### **OFFENDERS**

are generally people just like those we meet every day on the street. In some area of their lives, however, they have failed to meet the demands and pressures of modern day living, but, with help, understanding and support might well be able to measure up to the expectations of society.

### WE

try to provide programs to achieve this, but programming cannot be tailor-made to meet the exact needs of every individual. You may well have the skill, interest or personality we require to meet the individual needs of one person or a group of those in our care.

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

for volunteer service in institutional programs are many and too diverse to list. They range from one-to-one relationships through group discussion to entertainment, tutoring, life skills counseling and work with families in the community.

# IF YOU ARE INTERESTED

in helping someone on the inside become a success on the outside, we invite you to write to:

Coordinator
Volunteer Programs
Ministry of Correctional Services
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and in our reply we will tell you whom to contact in your area.

